

# ITALY LOSES GROUND SHE SEIZED FROM TEUTON FOES

Austrians Drive Roman Cohorts Out of Trenches On Isonzo River Front, But Are Balked By Forceful Stand At Sugana

## ZEGNATORIA WRESTED BY ASSAULT FROM ITALIANS

Russians Report Fresh Success Against Turks As Lines Near Bagdad Railway; Allies Announce Victory On Greek Front

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LONDON, May 18.—Have the Italians suffered a serious reverse on the Isonzo river front? This is the question military observers stationed here are asking themselves today. Vienna declares that they have. Rome says that they have not, and that the assaults by the Austrians have been repulsed with heavy losses.

Upon the whole it appears that Austrian commanders have caught the Italians napping, and by a sudden and energetic offensive have succeeded in regaining some of the ground lost to Victor Emmanuel's army at the outbreak of the war with Italy, a year ago.

Italians Lose Ground

The Italians have certainly lost ground and men; the latter both in killed, wounded and prisoners. Of these last the Vienna reports claim that the Austrians have taken between five and six thousand.

The Roman loss in material is also said to have been large. They have been forced to abandon a number of their heavy cannon, put in place last fall and winter with so much labor, and at the cost of many lives. Large quantities of munitions of war stored at positions also were taken by the Austrians in the drive.

### Offensive Extensive

The Teutonic offensive, beginning, according to the announcements from Berlin and Vienna, with a tremendous artillery preparation has now been extended from the lines east of the Tormale Pass in the Alps, as far south as Monfalcone. Near Tysol the Austrian infantry, by a surprise attack drove the Italians out of their hill-side positions.

At Zegnatoria, according to Vienna, the fighting was desperate and successful. Rome admits the character of the battle, but describes it as a Roman success. The Italian official statement says that the Teutons attacked five times, with clouds of infantry, and each time were compelled to fall back under the fire of the Roman guns, leaving a great number of their men behind them. The account winds up by saying "that many dead Austrians were observed to be floating down the Cadice river to the sea."

### Italians Hold Firm

The Austrians practically admit that they have failed to move the Italians at Sugana, where a half dozen hot attacks were made and repulsed. The artillery in that sector continues with great violence.

On the rest of the Austro-Italian line the Italian aviators have been busy, and are said to have succeeded in bringing down a number of the Teutonic machines.

Official reports from Paris and Berlin agree in picturing a comparatively quiet day on the western front. American aviators are

# German Soldiers Beg For Meat On Swiss Border

They Declare That Food Situation in Towns of Rhine Country Is Desperate

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) GENEVA, May 18.—German soldiers, members of the Leibstandarte division, who are on the Swiss border, have been asking for food from the Swiss. They declare that they have not eaten meat in weeks and are starving for a bit of it. The soldiers say that the food situation in the Rhine towns is desperate. Almost every article of food is short, and the suffering of the people is great. It is reported that they want to put a temporary stop to working in private families, where the governmental control over the food cannot be maintained satisfactorily, and compel all to eat at the "official" restaurants.

## NEW PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT FOR HAITI

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) SANTO DOMINGO, May 18.—The chamber of deputies yesterday elected Frederico Carvajal, provisional president of the republic, and the senate is expected to confirm this action today. It is hoped that Carvajal will smooth out the difficulties, and bring the revolution to a close.

### Arbitration Discussed

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LAKE MOHONK, May 17.—The International Arbitration Conference is in session today, discussing international courts and the theory of conciliation by arbitration, to settle disputes between nations and prevent war.

again mentioned in the official despatches from the French capital, which says that the Franco-American air corps has successfully conducted an important foray against the German towns within reach. The allied aviators are said to have been more than usually busy of late, and have succeeded in bringing down a number of the newer type of German aeroplanes.

### Verdun Fight Dwindles

The fighting around Verdun had dwindled down to trench conflicts according to yesterday's reports. The Germans made a number of minor attacks, including some lively handgrenade assaults, productive of little. The French positions on Le Mort Homme were the objective of these attacks, which were repulsed with ease. The artillery was still busy on this front. Berlin announced that a French attack launched from the slopes of Hill 304 failed, the German curtain of fire preventing the attackers from gaining ground, while successive efforts were blanketed by the machine gun fire, which drove back the French before they succeeded in reaching the advanced trenches.

### Russians Victorious

Russia, continuing her offensive in the sectors at the northern end of her long line, succeeded in winning a number of minor victories, according to reports from Petrograd, while a second attempt of the Turks to launch an offensive against the Russian columns holding Diarbekr was crushed with comparative ease by Grand Duke Nicholas, whose men are said to have continued their advance toward the Bagdad railroad, the objective of this column.

Fresh activity in the Balkans was announced last night by the official French despatches. The Entente allies are said to have advanced against the forces at Devetepe, on the Greek-frontier of Serbia, and cleared the place of the enemy. Following up this victory the French columns have advanced in the direction of Monastir.

### FOR A LAMB BACK

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# CASEMENT CHARGED WITH HIGH TREASON

Premier Asquith Is Member of Irish Privy Council

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LONDON, May 18.—Sir Roger Casement, late leader of the filibustering expedition from Germany to Ireland, and Daniel Bailey, a soldier arrested last Sunday, also accused of conspiracy in the Irish rebellion, were committed for trial on a charge of high treason in Bow street police court yesterday.

Premier Asquith, who has returned to Dublin from Belfast, was sworn in yesterday as a member of the Irish Privy Council.

## AVIATOR BESS HARD FOR JAPANESE RIOTERS

Art Smith Wants His Osaka As-saults Freed

(Special Cablegram to Nippon Jiji.) TOKYO, May 17.—Art Smith the aviator, who was injured at Osaka, left the city yesterday afternoon. Before departing from Osaka he asked that the thirty ringleaders who were arrested in connection with the attack on him at the military parade grounds be released. The Japanese police have charged the ringleaders with rioting, and all will be held despite the request made by the American aviator. Smith's injury is not serious, and at present he is on his way to Tacoma, where he will give an exhibition.

## TIME NOT YET RIFE TO ABANDON DEFENSE

League To Enforce Peace Makes Known Its Position

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LAKE MOHONK, New York, May 18.—Former President Taft, representing the league to enforce peace, issued a formal statement here last night, declaring that he believes that the time has not yet come when the world can afford to do without armies as an "aid to moral impulse."

## PRESIDENT REPLIES TO MESSAGE FROM VATICAN

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, May 17.—In response to a message sent by Pope Benedict upon the delicate situation between the United States and Germany, President Wilson has sent a reply to the Vatican. The Pope's message said that he hoped war between the United States and Germany might be avoided, and the message gave the impression that he hoped the United States might ultimately assist in restoring peace. The President's reply has not been made public.

## MORE CHINESE PROVINCES IN REVOLT AGAINST YUAN

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—According to information received here last night by members of the Chinese Republican Association, several cities of Shanai and Shantung provinces have declared their independence of the Yuan Shikai government, and are preparing to take part in the revolution against the president.

## BRYAN WILL NOT SIT IN NATIONAL CONFAB

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LINCOLN, Nebraska, May 18.—William Jennings Bryan announced last night that he is not going to the Democratic national convention at St. Louis, as an alternate from Nebraska, nor as a delegate from any other state. In his statement the former secretary of state declared that he has taken this step "in order to correct deliberate and malicious misrepresentation of corporation-controlled newspapers."

## FATE OF BRANDEIS SOON TO BE DECIDED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, May 18.—Members of the senate judiciary committee announced last night that the committee will vote on the nomination of Louis D. Brandeis, for the vacancy on the United States Supreme Court bench, next Wednesday. It was also announced that the senate will vote on a motion to reconsider the vote against the confirmation of George Rublee as a member of the federal trade commission.

# EIGHT HUNDRED YAGU REDSKINS GO ON WARPATH

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## COLONEL SIBLEY MAY HAVE TO FALL BACK

Two Americans Kidnapped From Texas By Villistas Are Rescued By Americans

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, May 18.—Eight hundred Yagu Indians are reported to have started north from Torreon, with the avowed intention of "wiping out the Yankees" under the command of Colonel Sibley. This news was brought into the country yesterday by S. E. Seifer, an American rancher, who claims to have escaped from his home in Mexico in order to warn the American authorities.

The Indians, who were accompanied by Villistas, left the neighborhood of Torreon three days ago, according to Seifer. The rancher also declares that Carranza commands are united with the Villistas and have sworn to "kick out the gringos," so matter what it costs. No official confirmation of this report has been received from Colonel Sibley.

Sibley May Withdraw

General Funston's headquarters, however, reports that it is considered probable that Colonel Sibley will be compelled to withdraw his men to the American side of the border soon. He has been endeavoring to overtake the bandits who escaped him at El Paso, but his troops are insufficient in numbers to keep up the pursuit, unless his lines are kept open, and there are not enough soldiers on the border to spare for this purpose.

According to information reaching San Antonio, the bandits who captured Jose Demers and Monroe Payne, ordered the villagers in whose case they left the Americans to kill them as soon as there was danger of their escaping or being rescued.

Langhorne Hayes Captives

The advance of Major Langhorne's troops, however, proved to rapid and the peons were afraid to murder the prisoners with the certainty that the troops would be upon them before the evidences of the crime could be concealed. Demers, who is a ranchman of Demers, Texas, and Payne, a negro of the same place, were kidnapped by the band that raided Glenn Springs and Boquilla two weeks ago.

Despatches from Marathon, Texas, the base of Major Langhorne's column, reported last night that a motor-truck driver had reached that town with a story that a party of bandits had been run down by Langhorne about 125 miles south of the border. Six of the outlaws were killed and seventy-five captured.

## Bandits Raid Stock Farm

Mercedes, Texas, reports that three Mexicans yesterday raided the Zwett stock farm, not far from the place, driving off several head of stock, and stealing a number of saddles. An American cavalryman had been sent after them. Pomes are chasing the Mexicans who killed Jarvis Harp, near San Angelo.

## BRITISH MONITOR M-30 IS SUNK BY OTTOMANS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LONDON, May 18.—It was officially admitted by the admiralty last night that the British Monitor M-30 had been sunk by a Turkish battery last Saturday. The shell of the Turkish gun is said to have set fire to the monitor, and the flames destroyed her. Two members of her crew were killed and two were wounded. The first report of the sinking of the M-30 was denied by the admiralty officials, but later information confirmed it.

## CRUISER SAN FRANCISCO GROUNDS IN HEAVY GALE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) BOSTON, May 17.—The cruiser San Francisco, which was working at laying mines off Nantucket, was grounded for hours last night and suffered in the gale, according to meager news which has come ashore. It was rumored the San Francisco lost a boat with eight men. Wireless messages to the cruiser failed to establish what the facts were, but later fears were proved groundless when the men rowed their boat to a lightskip on the shoals. The San Francisco was floated with little damage.

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# PRESIDENT SATISFIED WITH ALL LEGISLATION

Expects Congress To Pass Many Bills Before Conventions

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, May 18.—President Wilson in a talk with callers at the White House yesterday afternoon, declared himself as quite satisfied with the progress that is being made in constructive legislation.

He said that he confidently expects that congress will pass the administration shipping, rural credits, Philippines, Porto Rican, tariff, commission, corrupt practices and other bills before the two national conventions are called next month.

It is believed that the legislation referred to by Mr. Wilson, will form the basis upon which the Democratic appeal to voters in the party platform, will be made.

## DUTCH STEAMER SUNK BY A FLOATING MINE

American Embassy At London Gets Report of Affair

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LONDON, May 18.—The Dutch steamer Bakavir-V has been blown up by a mine in the North Sea, while en route from London to Rotterdam, according to a report received at the American embassy here last night. The British embassy here has learned that the Bakavir-V, the steamer was a passenger and was carrying a cargo of coal. The mine was placed in the North Sea, near the coast of England, and was blown up by a floating mine.

## OLGA GOES ON RAMPAGE AND CLOSES DAY STRONG

McBryde Rules Near Second In Transactions On Change

OLGA stock went on a rampage yesterday and closed strong at twenty-two bid with no more offering at that price. During the day the sales on change totaled 11,370 of which 7380 were OLGA. McBryde was a close second in the trading and jumped from fourteen to fifteen, at which prices 2880 shares changed hands.

The announcement of the regular dividend by OLGA on Monday was the cause for the great appreciation in the stock yesterday that before the end of the month the stock would be up to twenty-five. Next year is looked upon as a better year than the present for the plantation and buyers are optimistic as to the ultimate success of the property.

## HOMELESS GIRL CARED FOR IN SAN FRANCISCO

"I Am Penniless and Friendless," Honolulu Tells Court

"The case is dismissed. You may go," said the police judge. "But where in the world am I to go?" asked the girl. "I haven't any money and I haven't any friends. I have no home."

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# FAMOUS CARTOONIST IN LOVE WITH ISLES

'Dan' Sweeney Says Hawaii Should Be Boosted Year Round By Team Work

"Dan" Sweeney, famous newspaper cartoonist has come to Honolulu and shakes it by the hand. He has registered a big boost. With a sterling personality and with keen analysis that has made him noted in his drawings, he talked yesterday afternoon, quite frankly, of the wonderful climate of Honolulu, of palm trees and golden sunsets.

Sweeney has likes and dislikes. These he told The Advertiser on the bench at Waikiki, back of the Seaside Hotel, where he is at present stopping with his wife.

"In the first place," began Mr. Sweeney, "Honolulu isn't boosted as it should be considering its unexcelled charm and attractions. Tourists are a bigger asset than the sugar industry. Honolulu and the Islands excel the Yosemite for scenic effect and beauty. Before I came here I heard of Honolulu's attractions only in a casual sort of way. There is no attempt at boosting on the coast or anywhere on the mainland. But I found when I came here that Honolulu eclipsed all the vision that I carried away with me from my vacation in the Yosemite last year. Surprised? Yes, I am surprised at the beauty and wonder of Honolulu and Oahu. It is more than I expected. It is surely the Paradise of the Pacific."

Organize Team Work

"Sweeney is not active with a new line, but one which he admits he has thought upon before. Why doesn't the promotion committee get together and organize team work. Honolulu isn't boosted as it should be. It isn't boosted half enough here, or in the mainland. Why don't we all play up the attraction of the Islands as all. Why there is a world of things to be done. When we hear on the coast of the Islands we get the impression that the volcano and Waikiki Beach are the only things to see. I haven't seen a thing of what I could see and what I want to see. But Honolulu will be the stepping ground for me and my team."

Now Is Best Season

"Another thing. We only hear of Honolulu in the last months of the year, about the time that you hold your Carnival. I can't think of a better season than now. What of the climate ideal, the flowers in life, and the proper coloring, all meant to draw tourists to your wonderful shores."

"Sweeney paid a most eloquent tribute to the scenic effects and the tremendous elegance of Kilauea Volcano from which he returned a few days ago. He declared that he was in ardent love with Waikiki Beach. Mr. and Mrs. Sweeney will depart on May 31 in the Matsonia.

## TON OF MAGAZINES SENT TO AUSTRALASIA

Mid-Pacific Journal Boosts Hawaii and Proposed Exposition

A ton of recent numbers of the Mid-Pacific Magazine, including many of the special guide-book numbers, left in the Niagara yesterday for use in the campaign of the Union Steamship Company of New Zealand and to popularize Hawaii as a summer and winter holiday resort for Antipodeans.

The matter of special round-trip excursion rates from Australasian ports to Honolulu was taken up between Alexander Hume Ford and General Manager B. M. McLennan of the Canadian Australasian Line (owned by the Union Steamship Company) in Dunedin, when Mr. Ford was making his hands-around-the-Pacific propaganda trip two years ago. Recently, word was received here that the campaign of advertising Hawaii in Australasia was being pushed with the aid of the Mid-Pacific Magazine, with recent copies of the Honolulu papers with articles concerning the proposed 1918 Pan-Pacific exposition in this city. Ford has also made a request that the twenty-five-dollar cruise rate to all of the Islands, secured by the Pan-Pacific workers from the Inter-Island company, be included in the advertised feature of the Hawaiian holiday excursions, and become a part of the splendid rate return tickets from Australasian ports.

On the Niagara before she sailed, Ford renewed acquaintance with Sir Bichlan Escott, who is still governor of Fiji, and was two years ago, the first to welcome the Hands-Around-the-Pacific propaganda from Honolulu. Sir Bichlan promised that if a Pan-Pacific Exposition is held in Honolulu, he will assist in sending a village of Fijians to participate, and to take part in the Polynesian Olympiad of Pacific sports.

## GERMAN DESTROYER IS SUNK BY MINE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) COPENHAGEN, May 18.—A German torpedo-boat destroyer has been sunk by a German floating mine in a mine field off the port of Falsterbo, Sweden, according to a despatch from the local correspondent at that place. But one member of her crew was saved.

# SOLONS VOTE LARGER ARMY AND MILITIA FOR COUNTRY

Regular Force Is Increased To 211,000 Men For Peace Times and 260,000 For War, While National Guard Is Federalized

LATTER STRENGTH FIXED AT 457,000 MILITAMEN

## Senator Fall of New Mexico Arraigns Administration Mexican Policy and Senator Borah Flails Execution of Sinn Feiners

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, May 18.—Without taking a rollcall the senate yesterday approved the conference committee's report on the army reorganization bill, providing for an army of 211,000 men in time of peace, 260,000 in time of war, and a federalized militia increased to 457,000 men. The vote followed a hot debate in which senators from different sections of the country and of different political faiths scored the measure bitterly.

One of the most sensational addresses of the day was made by Senator Fall of New Mexico, who said: "General Pershing could take the City of Mexico, and all the towns on his route there, if Washington would let him alone, and he wouldn't need more than 14,000 men to do the job."

## Mexican Women Welcome Move

"Mexicans, the real Mexicans who are the backbone of the country, not the scum and froth that has joined the latest and most popular bandit leader, would welcome such a move. They want a stable and just government to take the place of the anarchy that has raged at will through Mexico for years."

The speaker also declared that the United States is in a fair way to find war with a European country forced upon her, if Carranza is allowed to continue negotiations with foreign countries, which he is now conducting. Immediately after the action of the senate, which it is believed the house will follow, Secretary of War Baker announced that as soon as the bill is a law he will begin the task of putting it into operation, and will begin consultations with the general staff the instant the measure is signed.

## Irish Question Comes Up

Senator Kern offered a resolution calling upon Secretary of State Lansing to inquire into the safety of Americans in the districts of Ireland affected by the revolution, and to take steps to safeguard them. At the request of Senator Stone, chairman of the foreign relations committee, the resolution was referred to his committee.

Attacks were made upon the "rider" in the army bill which makes provision for a government nitrate plant, and these delayed the adoption of this feature. Senator Hardwick of Georgia characterized the provision as dangerous, Socialistic and paternal.

Senator Lodge of Massachusetts denounced the senate provision for the size of the regular army.

## Borah Condemns Executions

Assailing the bill with reference to the increase of the militia, and citing instances of the alleged misuse of the militia, Senator Borah of Idaho also during the debate denounced Great Britain's treatment of the Irish. "I believe the execution in Dublin will go farther to compromise the good name of England than all that has happened at the Dardanelles and Gallipoli," he said. "My judgement is that there has been no greater blot at free institutions since the war began."

## BOY IS BADLY BURNED IN BLAZE AT HIS HOME

In a fire that occurred in his home in Gulick avenue, Harry Gundersen, part-Hawaiian, seven years old, was severely burned about the arms and face. Early yesterday morning he was taken to the emergency hospital, where it was decided to send the patient to the Kaula Children's Hospital. His condition, was said last night to be fairly good.

## ONE YEAR IN PRISON PENALTY FOR BURGLARY

Entering a plea of guilty, Charles Hiram was sentenced to a year's imprisonment in the police court yesterday for robbing the residence of A. R. ("Sonny") Cunha at Waikiki Beach. May 6. Hiram admitted that he went through a window when the occupants were absent.

## THIEF IS SENT TO JAIL

Ten days in jail was the sentence given to Sam Kohoanu in the Police court yesterday for stealing a pair of overalls from Joe Kani, an employee in the fish markets. The cases of Shimamura and Pedro Puentes were stricken off the calendar.